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ARIZONA LEGISLATURE
TO HOLD EXTRA SESSION

Tentative Agreement Is Reached For an Extra Session, to Start Thursday Immediately After the Regular Session Ends, and Gov. Hunt Has Agreed to Issue Call—County Salaries Bill Is Cause of Lively Discussion.

Phoenix, Ariz., May 13.—A tentative agreement has been reached for an extra session of the legislature to begin Thursday morning, immediately following the close of the regular session. The governor is said to have agreed to issue the call. The probability is that an effort will be made to elect Lynch speaker.

Much of the forenoon in the house was spent on the county salaries bill which already has passed the senate. Trouble arose principally over the salaries of precinct officers and various propositions were advanced. Some thought the fixing of salaries should be left to delegations from the various counties; others thought it should be left to boards of supervisors. Many amendments were offered and the bill still is under consideration. A fight was anticipated when the Kinyne bill came up in the house, there was an attempt to kill it summarily. The fight against the bill was led by Jacobs of Maricopa, and Lynch of Graham. The attempt provoked a storm of opposition and a motion was made that the bill be ordered printed. It is believed that the bill cannot pass.

The Brooks measure, creating a commission to secure a survey of public lands; a bill providing for constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of school lands; and a bill relating to the United States certain building sites, the semi-monthly pay day bill, a bill to regulate the use of automobiles on public highways and a bill creating the state board of equalization all passed the house.

The governor has approved Worsley's eight hour bill and Levin's bill limiting debts of municipalities. In the senate the primary election bill came up for consideration. There was much debate on the basis of representation, whether it shall be on population or on territory. A fight was started against the paving bill on the ground that it is unconstitutional.

Marshaling of Forces. A sort of marshaling of the legislative forces in order that the most important bills may be passed at an early date as possible, is one of the most hopeful signs the legislature has shown since the beginning of the session. That practice, within the past day or two, has been somewhat in evidence in both houses. In the senate it has taken the form of hard committee work and the prevalence of night sessions. In the house it is evidenced by the adoption of a motion, introduced by representative Jacobs, to the effect that from this time until adjournment all constitutional mandates shall be given the preference. The adoption of this resolution will have a strong tendency to aid with necessary legislation—or at least with legislation that is regarded as the most important.

The constitutional mandates, it will be understood, relate to the enactment of laws which are specifically commanded by the constitution. It is, of course, a fact that there is no authority to compel the legislature to enact these laws or any one of them; at the same time the constitution is regarded as a party instrument and the majority is pledged to carry out all its recommendations. The effect of the Jacobs resolution will be to shut out many bills that may be good in their way, but which may not be absolutely necessary at this time.

To Get Appropriations Passed. In the senate the chief concern just now is to get the large appropriation and taxation bills out of the way and

much time is being devoted to these measures in committee. A well defined program of revenue legislation has been outlined by the finance committee of the senate and the ways and means committee of the house, and it is said both these committees are getting through their work as rapidly as possible. There are seven of these revenue bills and the committee has announced that they are all well under way. Six of these measures were constructed by the finance committee; the seventh is an individual measure.

Also, to rush the work as rapidly as possible, the senate is holding frequent night sessions. These sessions occur about three nights out of four and the senate keeps at work anywhere from 10 to 12 o'clock. Almost every day a resolution for a night session is introduced in the house, but this far it has always been defeated.

The local option bill went to its death yesterday in the senate by a decisive majority. Only five senators voted for it. The measure was designed to destroy the city segregation feature of the present local option law, by providing that the counties should vote without reference to municipalities.

Almost every senator voting against the bill explained his vote, all recognizing that liquor legislation is a ticklish thing. Some said it is a mistake to take up the time of the legislature in considering measures of this sort now, when the session is drawing to a close. Some said they voted against it because it was not offered in good faith and that its sole purpose was to put the members on record. Some gave one reason and some another, a few coming out openly and saying they voted in the negative because they wanted the saloons to stay. On the contrary, there was one or two who voted in the affirmative who declared they always voted against the saloons on any kind of proposition and as often as they got the chance.

The governor has passed the bill providing for the creation of the office of public defender and for the election of an attorney to fill that office. The bill is designed to defend the accused persons out of the hands of lawyers generally and place all such cases in the hands of a county official. Arguments in its favor are that it will prevent delays and will further the ends of justice. There is, however, a measure will not get through the house, for there is strong opposition to it there, particularly by those representatives who are not bound by any great liking for the administration program.

Measure Relating to Electricity. The senate, in committee, has recommended for passage the bill regulating the construction and operation of underground electric wires and apparatus and, under the rules of that body, this is equivalent to passage. The only interest in Phoenix affected by this measure is the Pacific Gas and Electric company, which already has fared rather badly at the hands of the legislature, and will fare rather badly if this proposed legislation goes through and is effective. The other legislation is comprised in a resolution recently offered by senator Davis and which asks congress to annul the contract existing between this company and the federal government for the purchase of power from the Roosevelt dam. Under this contract the company has a monopoly of the present power at a rate of one and a half cents

a kilowatt, which is resold in the city all the way from five cents, under one of the city contracts, up to 12 cents to private consumers. The latter resolution declares the contract is unjust and should be rescinded.

The affairs of the electric company are also under investigation by the corporation commission, which has authority under the constitution to regulate rates charged by public utility corporations. It is also proposed further to define the powers of the commission in matters of this kind, and to take bills with that object having been held up for the present awaiting a statement from the commission respecting its wishes in the matter.

Anti-Tipping Measure. The anti-tipping bill, which is a rather drastic measure along the lines suggested by the time, has been recommended for passage in the house.

The Cunniff child labor bill has been held up temporarily in the house, and the bill passed the senate without trouble and was referred to committee in the house, which reported it out with a favorable recommendation. After consideration in the committee of the whole, however, the house again sent the bill back to its standing committee for revision and readjustment.

In the debate on this measure several members of the house declared their full sympathy with the bill, but said that in its present form it is too drastic. It provides that no child under 14 years of age shall be employed at any occupation, but the bill takes him from his home, and that in cases where children of not more than 14 years are employed, they shall work at such employment only on permission from the state superintendent of health. It was pointed out that under the provisions of this bill boys 14 years of age could not even sell newspapers on the streets or engage in other occupations of a similarly harmless character. For this reason the bill was re-referred, with instructions to the committee to eliminate the objectionable features and so amend the bill as to lodge greater discretion in the hands of the health officer respecting the employment of such children.

To Bond State Officials. The house has recommended that the bill providing the amounts of bonds for state officers and the terms under which they must be given shall pass. The object of this measure is to cure a defect in the existing laws.

The bill providing a penalty for persons who desert their wives or families has been unfavorably reported. One of the objections to this bill was its drastic character; it is also said provision has been made to cover all such cases.

The lien law, relating to mines and railroads, has been unfavorably reported by the labor committee of the house. This bill was designed to make any and all labor on mines or roads a first lien on the company's property.

If the senate takes the same view of the matter as does the house, and a bill designing to own real estate in Arizona will have a rather hard time of it. The house passed the bill, which provides that real estate in the state shall be owned by any person or corporation, but one not a citizen. It also limits the power to lease or convey such property.

Another bill to pass the house is one providing penalties for crimes against the electric company.

The Eight Hour Measure. Graham's eight hour bill, which was introduced only about a week ago, has passed the house finally, making one of the best records of any measure yet introduced in either body. The bill limits to eight hours in 24 the work to be done by any employee in any state institution, and also places the same limitations upon all other employees of the state. It is a labor of love affair, containing a provision that such employee, while not allowed to work more than eight hours, are allowed to work less. This last provision was doubtless placed in the bill through an inadvertence and it is possible it will be eliminated by the senate.

The governor has also been quite busy lately, having signed the following bills:

The measure requiring the use of electric headlights on locomotives. The bill, giving an annuity to each county one scholarship in the state university.

The bill providing for horticultural and agricultural loans. The bill providing for the filling of vacancies in county offices. The bill limiting the amount of debts that may be incurred by towns and cities has passed the house and is now in committee in the senate.

The house has also passed a bill limiting hours of employment for men employed in mines and smelters. The bill providing for amendments to the penal code has likewise passed the house.

Republican Politics. Politically, there is much doing in the Republican camp just now to satisfy the most ardent politician that ever ran for office or took part in a political campaign. Arizona is a large state, and it will have six votes in each of the national conventions, but there is much energy expended over the choice of the men who shall cast those votes as though the whole result depended upon this state.

The next decision will be made May 15, when there will be a meeting of the state executive committee, composed of the chairmen of the 14 county committees to decide upon the method of selecting the delegates to the state convention that will choose the delegates to the national convention. The matter was referred to the county chairman by the state executive committee at a meeting held about a week ago.

It will be seen that there may be county primaries, county conventions, or delegates to the state convention may be appointed by the chairmen of the county committees.

Roosevelt Men Chagrined. It must be said that the action of the executive committee is highly resented by the Roosevelt men, who say the Taft supporters took an unfair advantage of them at the late meeting. At that time a resolution was adopted endorsing the administration of president Taft. A large number of proxies had been forwarded to Lorenzo Hubbell, chairman of the state committee, and these were voted by him. The Roosevelt men say the sole object of the resolution was to decide upon the method of choosing delegates and that in adopting this resolution the Taft adherents took an unfair advantage of the Roosevelt men. Mr. Hubbell declares the proxies came to him unsolicited and that everything was fair and above board. He

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Commissioners Also Consider Plans For Water Distribution in Lower Valley.

No definite arrangements have been made for the proposed combination city and county skyscraper building which is to occupy the present court-house site. However, the county commissioners and the city council are meeting in joint session this afternoon for the purpose of discussing the matter and planning some details.

The county commissioners will also consider legislation for the purpose of obtaining an equal distribution of water for irrigation purposes in the lower valley. At present there is much complaint that some people get more water than is due them and others get none.

The Colorado system of locked gates at points along the route is the one which the commissioners and the landowners favor and steps will be taken to inaugurate that in the El Paso valley if possible.

At Monday morning's session the county commissioners ordered the construction of a macadam road about a quarter of a mile in length extending from George Brown's place on the county road to the railroad station. They also ordered the construction of two miles of macadam road from the town of Socorro to the county road, down the valley and granted J. Schaller's petition for permission to fence the Clint-Ben road and place trees on either side with the understanding that a road of the same width be left open through the Turner and Wortham ranches.

The application of district clerk L. Alderete for a typewriter to write the minutes of the district court, which is much speedier and far more satisfactory than the old system of writing with pen and ink, was referred to Judge Elyar and county auditor J. A. Escudé.

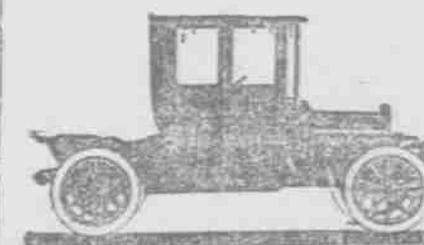
School districts were ordered established at Vinton and Whites' Spur and their notes and bounds ordered made. Elbio Apodaca was appointed pound keeper for the town of Socorro. The commissioners adjourned at noon setting the hour for reconvening at 2 o'clock.

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Whiskey and "Dutch Courage."

WHEN sailing vessels are facing a gale of wind going around Cape Horn it is customary to serve "grog." Sometimes naval commanders have handed around whiskey just before their ships went into battle. This is done to make the men work harder, to make them forget their danger and stop them from worrying about what may happen to them. This is called "Dutch courage."

Professor Cutten, in explaining the effects of alcohol, admits that it is true that soldiers who have taken rum just before going into battle are extraordinarily brave, and sailors served with hot toddy will face a gale of wind or a driving snowstorm with cheerful songs and merry enthusiasm.

Dr. Cutten explains that alcohol acts as a veil to cloud over our higher faculties, such as reason and judgment. The qualities of mind which have come to us late in life, like our reason and judgment, are the first ones which alcohol works upon. The faculties of mind which are the slowest to disappear are

our early and inborn emotions, which were mostly inherited from our old savage ancestors.

So the half-drunk soldier who would, if sober, use his judgment and honorably retreat at the proper time, is robbed of his reason and judgment. He is unable to see any cause for prudence and rushes on to certain destruction. Deeply planted savage instincts and the inherited disposition to fight without judgment are in control of his mind. If he keeps on drinking he finally paralyzes even his primitive instincts and becomes stupid and at last loses all power of mind and muscle.

It is a mistake to purchase "Dutch courage" with alcohol. What may be gained is likely to be overbalanced by other unfortunate results. Sailors and soldiers deprived of judgment often "run amuck." Judicious calm gives way to impotent rage. Under such circumstances a man or an army is likely to be at a disadvantage with a cool and collected opponent.